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1. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MS. NJIIRI. THE PROBLEM AS WE UNDERSTAND IT IS THE FOLLOWING: BARCLAY'S BANK HERE CANNOT HONOR 1ST. NATIONAL BANK OF AMHERST DRAFT NOTICE BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF A COVER LETTER (APPARENTLY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT) AND THE LACK OF CORRESPONDENCE OF SIGNATURES BETWEEN SPECIMEN ON FILE AT BARCLAYS HERE AND THE ACTUAL SIGNER OF THE DRAFT NOTICE, THE CARBON COPY OF WHICH MS. NJIIRI HAS AND WHICH SHE SHOWED TO THE BANK OFFICIAL AND TO CONOFF.

2. BARCLAY'S BANK HERE FURTHER MAINTAINS THAT IT HAS TO DATE RECEIVED NO CABLES FROM THE 1ST. NATIONAL BANK OF AMHERST AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF DRAFT. MS. NJIIRI'S UMASS CONTACTS HAVE APPARENTLY ASCERTAINED THAT SUCH A CABLE WAS SENT.

3. IN LIGHT UNBREACHABLE COMMUNICATION GAP WHICH SEEMS TO HAVE OPENED UP BETWEEN THE BANKS CONCERNED, EMBASSY WONDERS IF DEPARTMENT MIGHT CONTACT AMHERST BANK DIRECTLY, OBTAIN PERTINENT INFO WHICH WOULD ENABLE ITS DRAFT TO BE HONORED HERE THEN CABLE THIS INFO TO EMBASSY. WE CAN HAND CARRY THE CABLE TO BARCLAY'S FOR ACTION.
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